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Les White City Manager, City of San José 200 East Santa Clara Street San José, CA 95113

Subject: Coyote Valley Specific Plan Draft Environmental Impact Report—Request for Extension to Provide Comments

Dear Mr. White,

Santa Clara Valley Water District (District) staff has initiated its review of the Coyote Valley Specific Plan Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR). As you know, the District manages Santa Clara County's water resources, coordinates flood protection for the County's residents, and serves as a steward of the county's streams and reservoirs. We have a strong interest in the Coyote Valley Specific Plan reflecting and supporting our policies related to water supply, flood protection, and environmental stewardship. As one of the final steps in the Coyote Valley planning process, it is critical that the District perform a thorough and complete review of the DEIR. However, it will be very difficult to perform a thorough and complete review of the DEIR and obtain Board review and input within the 60 day public comment period. Thus, the District is requesting that you extend the DEIR comment period to Friday, June 29, 2007, so that our agency can review and provide meaningful input on this important report.

Our two agencies have been working collaboratively on the Coyote Valley Specific Plan for several years, which is especially important given the potential affects of the project on the County's water resources. We look forward to maintaining this collaborative approach through the remainder of the planning process. We feel both our agencies will be better served by extending the DEIR comment period to June 29, 2007.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Messrs. Joseph Horwedel and Darryl Boyd, City of San José Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement